

THE BINGHAM SCHOOL,

ORANGE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA.

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POST OFFICE, MEBANEVILLE, N. C.

THIS SCHOOL IS SITUATED IN THE COUNTRY, IN A HEALTHY LOCATION, about three-quarters of a mile from Mebaneville depot on the North Carolina Rail Road, and has now been in successful operation as a classical academy for more than sixty years.

The boys are all members of the Superintendent's family, and under his immediate care and supervision. Their health, morals and manners are objects of constant attention. The best medical attendance can be procured in case of sickness; and in cases of serious illness, which have hitherto been extremely rare, parents are promptly notified.

During the war the school was upon a regular military footing, though the old course was retained throughout; but upon the cessation of hostilities, military exercises, (guard duty, regular drills, &c.,) were discontinued; such features, however, of the organization as have been found by experience to be conducive to discipline and scholarship, are retained, our object being to make *scholars*, not *soldiers*. Among the features thus retained is the school uniform, which is not only an important auxiliary to discipline, but also the best and cheapest clothing a youth can wear; while it effectually represses extravagance in dress, and does away with those invidious distinctions in outward appearance which are so mortifying to all young people.

Our government is mild and parental, but firm. There can be no scholarship without the restraint of wholesome laws, and a rule is worse than useless, unless rigidly enforced. Our discipline proceeds upon the principle that the law of God requires obedience to parents, and makes it the imperative duty of parents to enforce that obedience; that the teacher stands in the parent's place, and while he enforces prompt obedience to orders, must not neglect to instill such sentiments of honor and moral responsibility as will make the pupil govern himself. As our

aim is to develop cultivated christian gentlemen, no incorrigibly profane or vicious boy, no confirmed idler, in a word, no boy who does no good, or who does others harm, can remain in school; and we hope that none but the docile and moral will come. Satisfactory testimonials from the last teacher always required.

Our object is to train boys to think for themselves; to give them that mental culture and discipline which shall enable them to master any subject to which, in after life, they may apply themselves; to lay the foundation of a sound and thorough education. We therefore carry boys forward thoroughly rather than rapidly, requiring them to master the studies of one class before passing to those of another; and, as any system of instruction is extremely defective which cultivates the intellect to the neglect of the moral character, it is our constant aim to educate the hearts and consciences of our pupils.

Our course of instruction is arranged with a view to making the school either a preparatory or a finishing one, at the option of the parents. Classes are carried as far as may be desired in the languages and mathematics; and young men who cannot take a classical course, can acquire, in the commercial department, a thorough business education. Especial attention is paid to the English branches, in which most boys are extremely deficient.

Deadly weapons, intoxicating drinks and every species of gambling are strictly prohibited. No one received except on pledge of compliance with these rules. Religious service and Bible lesson every Sunday, which all are required to attend.

The scholastic year consists of one session of forty weeks, beginning on the first Wednesday of March, and divided into two equal terms. As absence from regular duties during the session is extremely injurious to boys, we give NO FURLOUNDS OF INDULGENCE, and we hope that parents will not ask them, as we shall be obliged to decline all such applications.

Charge for session's tuition and board \$350, payable one-half in advance, balance July 1st. Boys furnish their own lights, towels and blankets. Washing not included in board; it can be had in the neighborhood at \$1 per month.

Uniform is furnished at cost. Two fatigue suits, one dress suit, and one cap, constitute the regular issue. Deposit for this purpose, \$55.

Under clothing can be furnished at New York cost and carriage, when a deposit is made for the purpose.

After the issue of uniform no other clothing must be worn or kept.

Deposit for books and contingencies for lower classes, \$20; higher, \$40.

Payable at beginning of session.	{ Tuition and Board, Spring Term,	\$175
	{ Deposites,	85
		<hr/> \$260
Payable July 1st.,	Tuition and Board, Fall Term,	\$175
	Total for one year,	<hr/> \$435
Payable in advance upon entering for Fall Term	{ Tuition and Board,	\$175
	{ Deposites,	85
		<hr/> \$260

When a place is engaged the charge to end of session is due, unless the boy is prevented from coming "by act of God;" and in case of dismissal or withdrawal no deduction of tuition or board is made.

COL. WM. BINGHAM, *Sup't.*

MAJ. WM. B. LYNCH.

MAJ. ROBERT BINGHAM.

CAPT JOHN J. NORWOOD.

<i>Spring Term</i>	<i>\$ 260.00</i>
<i>To 4 days before session paid</i>	<i>3.00</i>
<i>To Fall Term</i>	<i>175.00</i>
<i>To Dr Robertsen's dental exp</i>	<i>50.00</i>
<i>To cash</i>	<i>25.00</i>
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By cash, Mar 1 \$250

By cash (private depos.) 35.00 *\$ 285.00*

Balance due July 1st *\$ 228.00*

